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Application Number	09 / 287,654
Filing Date	04-07-1999
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FIREFWALL FOR PROCESSING A CONNECTIONLESS NETWORK PACKET

the specification of which *(Title of the Invention)*

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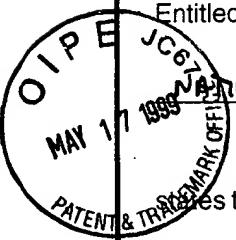
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STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)Applicant/Patent Owner: PATRICK W. DOWD, JOHN T. McHENRYApplication No./Patent No.: 09/287,654 Filed/Issue Date: 04-07-1999Entitled: FIREWALL FOR PROCESSING A CONNECTIONLESS NETWORK PACKET

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FWREWALL FOR PROCESSING CONNECTIONLESS NETWORK DATA PACKETS

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2. Agree to provide any further information within our knowledge and to execute any further documents necessary to the prosecution of patent applications on the invention, the prosecution and settlement of the interferences and recording of title to patent applications and patents.

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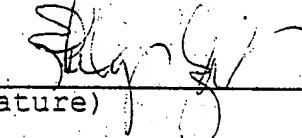


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